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Commissioner for Patents**Response to Request for Reconsideration**

1. The reply filed on 8/12/2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):
- (a) failure to address (or file a terminal disclaimer) with respect to the double patenting rejection set forth in paragraph 5 of the previous Office Action;
 - (b) failure to address the outstanding rejections under 35 USC 103(a) as set forth in paragraphs 7-8 of the previous Office Action.

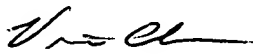
See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vivian Chen whose telephone number is (703) 305-3551. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM to 6 PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Paul Thibodeau, can be reached on (703) 308-2367. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.

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